

Amendments to the Claims:

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A navigation system, comprising:

an input means for inputting at least a reference position for searching register points;

an information storage means for storing register ~~point data~~points including at least coordinate information and area information;

a search means for searching said register points existing within a predetermined limit on the basis of said reference position input by said input means and said data stored in said information storage means; and

a display means for displaying a searched result by said searching means, wherein said input means can input area for searching register points and said searching means searches said register points existing within said area input by said input means.

2. (Original) The navigation system according to claim 1, wherein said area information is country information, district information, prefectural information or municipality information.

3. (Currently Amended) A navigation system, comprising:

an input means for inputting a reference position for searching register points;

an information storage means for storing register ~~point data~~points, wherein said register ~~points~~point data are divided into an area or block, and said register ~~points~~point data in each area or block are divided into at least one category, and flags representing the presence or absence of said register ~~points~~point data are given to each category of each area or block;

a search means for searching each category of said register points existing within a predetermined limit on the basis of said reference position input by said input means by referring to said flags representing the presence or absence of said register ~~point~~point-data in said information storage means; and

a display means for displaying each category with flags representing the presence of the register points searched by said searching means.

4-15. (Cancelled)

16. (Currently Amended) A navigation system, comprising:

an input means for inputting information for searching register points;

C/ an information storage means for storing register ~~point~~point-data, wherein said register ~~point~~point-data are divided into an area or block and said register ~~point~~point-data in each area or block are divided into at least one category and flags representing the presence or absence of said register ~~point~~point-data are given to each category of each area or block;

a search means for searching each category of said register points belonging to each area or block input by said input means by referring to said flags representing the presence or absence of said register ~~point~~point-data in said information storage means; and

a display means for displaying each category with flags representing the presence of the register points searched by said searching means.

17. (Currently Amended) A navigation system, comprising:

an input means for inputting information for searching register points;

an information storage means for storing register ~~point~~point-data, wherein said register ~~point~~point-data are divided into at least one category and said register ~~point~~point-data in each category are assigned to an area or block and flags representing the

presence or absence of said register ~~point~~point data are given to each area or block of each category;

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a search means for searching an area of said register points belonging to the category input by said input means by referring to said flags representing the presence or absence of said register ~~point~~point data in said information storage means; and

a display means for displaying an area with flags representing the presence of the register points searched by said searching means.

18-23. (Cancelled)
